

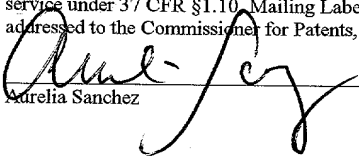
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))
(Regular application claiming priority of a provisional)

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:

For **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INFORMATION RETRIEVAL BASED ON MENU SELECTIONS**

Priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/286,259 filed on April 24, 2001 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e). Priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/254,298 filed on December 8, 2000 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Application Elements:

- ☒ **30** Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ **18** Sheets of informal Drawings
- ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Separate Declaration

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☒ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
 - ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

☒ Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

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General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. PROQP004).

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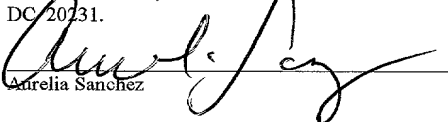
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NONPUBLICATION REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
(35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i))

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen (18) months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application **NOT** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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